Sharad Pawar Committee report on power Sector

1393. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has ordered a fullfledged review of the power sector;

(b) whether the three year old Sharad Pawar Committee report which had called for far-reaching changes in the electricity sector, is being reconsidered by the Planning Commission;

(c) whether the Planning Commission has accepted the recommendations contained in the said Report; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by the Planning Commission to direct the Ministry of Power to implement those recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) Ninth Plan exercise will include a detailed review of the power sector.

(b) to (d) The recommendations of the Sharad Pawar Committee Report on Power Sector are presently under examination in the Planning Commission. The Report will be placed before the National Development Council after the implications are fully examined.

Employment Policy and programme in the Country

1394. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any employment policy and programme for the educated and uneducated youngmen in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps have been taken by Government to create job opportunities in the organised sectors of economy during the last three years, till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) Expansion of employment opportunities through growth of sectors and sub-sectors with high employment intensity such as agriculture, agro and rural industries, rural infrastructure, small and the decentralised manufacturing sector, urban informal sector and services remains a thrust area in the Five Year Plans. The Ninth Plan will implement a National Employment Assurance Scheme.

Special employment programmes are in operation to provide supplementary employment in both rural and urban areas for both educated and uneducated persons. Recognising the high incidence of under employment and increasing casualisation of labour, there is need to enhance employment opportunities for the poor.

The organised sector employment during the last three years in the public and private sectors are as under:

(lakh persons)

	Public Sector	Private Sector	Total organised
1993	193.26	78.51	271.77
1994	194.45	79.30	273.75
1995	194.66	80.59	275.25

मध्य प्रदेश में गरीबी उन्मूलन के लिये धनराशि दिया जाना

1395. **श्री अजीत जोगी:** क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रति वर्ष गरीबी उन्मूलन संबंधी विभिन्न योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन हेतु मध्य प्रदेश के लिये कितनी धनराशि स्वीकृत की गई;